

## **Request for Ways and Means Committee Action**

Date: January 8, 2004

To: Ways and Means Committee

Subject: Requesting permission to proceed with a sole vendor contract with St. Paul-Ramsey County Department of Public Health (SPRCDPH)

## Recommendation:

That your Committee authorize the proper city officials to execute a contract with SPRCDPH not to exceed \$200,000 for their participation in the Environmental Action for Children's Health Project which is funded by a HUD grant awarded October 1, 2003.

Prepared or Submitted by: Lisa Smestad, Environmental Services Approved by:
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Presenter in committee: Bill Anderson, Lisa Smestad
Financial Impact (Check those that apply)
No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
<ul> <li>Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget</li> <li>Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget</li> <li>Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase</li> </ul>
Action requires use of contingency or reserves _XX Other financial impact (Explain): Request is covered by existing '04 general funds.
Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

## **Background/Supporting Information**

The Department of Inspections has been awarded a three-year grant of \$650,000 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control. The purpose of the program is to reduce environmental asthma triggers in the homes of low-income children diagnosed with asthma and in in-home licensed daycares. Grant partners include Children's Hospitals and Clinics, Greater Minneapolis Day Care Association, Community Action of Minneapolis, Saint Paul-Ramsey County Department of Public Health (SPRCDPH) and others. SPRCDPH was a partner in the grant development process and is a key agency in the project. The Permanent Review Committee has approved execution of this contract.